



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 558

LCO No. 242

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
(HS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE AVAILABILITY OF HOSPICE SERVICES
UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-28e of the 2008 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective July 1, 2008*):

4 (a) [Not later than September 30, 2002, the Commissioner of Social
5 Services shall submit an amendment to the Medicaid state plan to
6 implement the provisions of public act 02-1 of the May 9 special
7 session* concerning optional services under the Medicaid program.]
8 The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid state
9 plan to include hospice services as optional services under the
10 Medicaid program. Said state plan amendment shall supersede any
11 regulations of Connecticut state agencies concerning such optional
12 services.

13 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid
14 state plan to include foreign language interpreter services provided to
15 any beneficiary with limited English proficiency as a covered service

16 under the Medicaid program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	July 1, 2008	17b-28e
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Statement of Purpose:

To amend the Medicaid state plan to include hospice services as a covered service under the Medicaid program.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]